1	2	3	4	5	6
5	Vizianagram	—	685	2273	682
6	Krishna	—	177	242	75
7	Chittoor	2	—	—	—
8	Rangareddi	1	—	—	—
9	Mehdak	2	—	—	—
10	Others	—	—	216	—
	TOTAL:	177	21493	39372	11740

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Action Plan *inter-alia* propose to:

(i) organise awareness programmes and cntrcpreneurship development programmes;

(ii) Identify and train entrepreneurs;

(iii) Identify financial agencies for providing financial assistance to the entrepreneurs;

(iv) Strengthen the marketing of products both domestic and export sector by arranging market linkages with different agencies;

(v) arrange training programmes for skill upgradation, development of innovative products and set up demonstration-cum-production centres;

(vi) promote production of blended coir products.

Margin money scheme for setting up agro based and other rural industries

2615. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have launched a margin money scheme for setting up agro based and other rural industries in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of SSI units set up under the scheme, State-wise, as on the 31st December, 2001 with particular reference to Andhra Pradesh;

(d) the type of industries covered under the scheme; and

(e) the amount allocated and spent under the scheme till date?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government through Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) implements the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) throughout the country wherein Margin Money is provided for setting up Khadi and Village Industries including agro and rural industires in rural areas. Under this scheme the KVIC provides margin money assistance at the rate of 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for the project above Rs. 10 lakhs and upto Rs 25 lakhs rate of margin money is 25% of Rs. 10 lakhs plus 10% on remaining cost of the project. In the case of weaker sections viz. SC/ST/OBCAVomen/Physically Handicappcd/Ex-Serviccmcn and Minority Community beneficiary/institution and for hill border and tribal areas, North Eastern Region Sikkim, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, the margin money grant is 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs but above this amount and upto Rs. 25 lakhs it is 10% of the remaining cost of the project. Under this scheme, the beneficiary is required to invest his own contribution of 10% of the project cost. In case of SC/ST and other weaker sections, beneficiary's contribution is 5% of the project cost. This scheme is being implemented through Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks etc.

(c) The list of projects financed by the KVIC under the REGP including Andhra Pradesh is given at Statement *(See below).*

(d) All industries except those mentioned in a small negative list, are eligible under the REGP. As far as Andhra Pradesh is concerned, the major industries covered arc Textile, Lime, Carpcntary, Blacksmithy, Processing of Cereals & Pulses, Electronics, Fruits and Vegetables Processing, Leather activities, Pottery, Agarbatti, Village Oil, Gur & Khandsari, Plastic moulded goods. Palmgur and service activities.

(e) An amount of Rs. 482.87 crores has been released to the

Implementing agencies *i.e.* Public Sector Banks and State KVIBs and an amount of Rs. 267.24 crores has been utilized.

Statement

State-wise number of projects as on 31.12.2001 under REGP

S.No.	States/Union Territories	Projects under REGP
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	9487
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	314
3.	Assam	310
4.	Bihar	514
5.	Goa	1654
6.	Gujarat	662
7.	Haryana	3189
8.	Himachal Pradesh	698
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	4964
10.	Karnataka	9848
11.	Kerala	4712
12.	Madhya Pradesh	16397
13.	Maharashtra	15094
14.	Manipur	612
15.	Meghalaya	2633
16.	Mizoram	723
17.	Nagaland	4503
18.	Orissa	898
19.	Punjab	6860
20.	Rajasthan	19464
21.	Sikkim	18
22.	Tamil Nadu	3404
23.	Tripura	34
24:	Uttar Pradesh	10999
25.	West Bengal	9982
26.	Andaman & Nicobar	113
27.	Chandigarh	122

1	2	3
28.	Dadra Nagar Haveli	07
29.	Daman & Diu	0
30.	Delhi	201
31.	Lakshdweep	08
32.	Pondicherry	897
33.	Chhatisgarh	139
34.	Jharkhand	83
35.	Uttaranchal	110
	TOTAL:	129653

Setting up of Advisory Committees

†2616. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various Advisory Committees under his Ministry have not been set-up so far;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when Government would set-up such Advisory Committees?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Agro & Rural Industries was created on 1st September, 2001 and there is no Advisory Committee under this Ministry. However, the Ministry is consulting Department of Official Language for constitution of Hindi Advisory Committee.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.